

I am writing to you about Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. I have been very concerned about the trend toward media consolidation. This is an example of the unacceptable practices such a consolidation has led to.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. I am a member of the public that owns the airwaves and am concerned that the public interest is no longer served.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to be closely monitored and guided by the public and by local communities. The current state of affairs is simply unacceptable. Thank you.